Chaco Culture

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The Birds of Chaco - A Checklist

This list includes 131 species of birds whose occurrence in the park has been documented in two inventories over a 30-year period.

Species followed by:

- c (common) are often seen, and regular park inhabitants.
- u (uncommon) are not often seen, but are regular park inhabitants.
- a (abundant) are frequently seen.
- o (occasional) are usually seen only a few times a season.
- r (rare) are seen only once every few years
- i (introduced) are non-native species.
- x (extirpated) are no longer present in the park, but exist elsewhere.
- * are recent single observations.
- In addition, subspecies and color morphs are listed below the species.

Please help us by reporting any sightings of rare or unlisted species. Please include photos or drawings if possible, and send to: Division of Natural Resources, Chaco Culture National Historical Park, PO Box 220, Nageezi, NM 87037.

| HERONS | SKUAS, GULLS, TERNS, SKIMMERS | Hairy Woodpecker u | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Great Blue Heron r | Franklin's Gull r | Northern Flicker c | | | |
| Black-crowned Night-Heron r | | Yellow-shafted | | | |
| | PIGEONS, DOVES | Red-shafted | | | |
| AMERICAN VULTURES | Mourning Dove a | | | | |
| Turkey Vulture c | - | TYRANT FLYCATCHERS; BECARDS | | | |
| | CUCKOOS, ROADRUNNERS, ANIS | Olive-sided Flycatcher o | | | |
| DUCKS, GEESE, SWANS | Greater Roadrunner r | Western Wood-Pewee u | | | |
| Mallard x | | Willow Flycatcher o | | | |
| | BARN OWLS | Hammond's Flycatcher o | | | |
| KITES, EAGLES, HAWKS | Barn Owl u | Gray Flycatcher c | | | |
| Osprey x | | Dusky Flycatcher o | | | |
| Northern Harrier u | TYPICAL OWLS | Cordilleran Flycatcher u | | | |
| Sharp-shinned Hawk o | Western Screech-Owl r | Say's Phoebe c | | | |
| Cooper's Hawk c | Great Horned Owl c | Vermillion Flycatcher * | | | |
| Swainson's Hawk r | Long-eared Owl u | Ash-throated Flycatcher c | | | |
| Red-tailed Hawk c | Short-eared Owl x | Cassin's Kingbird c | | | |
| Golden Eagle u | | Western Kingbird o | | | |
| | NIGHTHAWKS, NIGHTJARS | | | | |
| CARACARAS, FALCONS | Common Nighthawk u | SHRIKES | | | |
| American Kestrel c | Common Poorwill u | Loggerhead Shrike c | | | |
| Peregrine Falcon r | | Northern Shrike x | | | |
| Prairie Falcon u | SWIFTS | | | | |
| | Black Swift * | VIREOS | | | |
| PHEASANTS, GROUSE, TURKEYS | White-throated Swift a | Plumbous Vireo o | | | |
| Wild Turkey x | | Warbling Vireo u | | | |
| | HUMMINGBIRDS | | | | |
| QUAIL | Black-chinned Hummingbird c | JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS | | | |
| Scaled Quail u | Broad-tailed Hummingbird c | Western Scrub-Jay c | | | |
| | Rufous Hummingbird r | Pinyon Jay c | | | |
| RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS | WOODPECKERS | Common Raven c | | | |
| Sora a | Lewis's Woodpecker r | | | | |
| | Williamson's Sapsucker r | LARKS | | | |
| PLOVERS | Red-naped Sapsucker u | Horned Lark c | | | |
| Killdeer r | Downy Woodpecker u | | | | |
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| SWAI | LLOWS | | | | Song Sparrow o | | | |
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| | Violet-green Swallow o | WAXV | VINGS | | White-throated Sparrow o | | | |
| | Cliff Swallow a | | Cedar Waxwing r | | White-crowned Sparrow u | | | |
| | Barn Swallow o | | | | White-lored | | | |
| | | SILKY | Y-FLYCATCHERS | | Black-lored | | | |
| TITM | ICE | | Phainopepla * | | Dark-eyed Junco c | | | |
| | Mountain Chickadee u | | | | Slate-colored | | | |
| | Juniper Titmouse c | WOOI | D-WARBLERS | | White-winged | | | |
| | | | Orange-crowned Warbler u | | Oregon | | | |
| BUSH | ITITS | | Nashville Warbler o | | Pink-sided | | | |
| | Bushtit c | | Virginia's Warbler u | | Gray-headed | | | |
| | | | Northern Parula x | | | | | |
| NUTE | IATCHES | | Yellow Warbler r | CARD | INALS, GROSEBEAKS | | | |
| | Red-breasted Nuthatch r | | Yellow-rumped Warbler u | | Black-headed Grosbeak o | | | |
| | White-breasted Nuthatch o | | Myrtle | | Blue Grosbeak c | | | |
| | | | Audubon's | | Lazuli Bunting r | | | |
| CREE | EPERS | | Black-throated Gray Warbler o | | Indigo Bunting r | | | |
| | Brown Creeper o | | Townsend's Warble o | | Dickcisse r | | | |
| | • | | Grace's Warble r | | | | | |
| WRE | NS | | Black-and-white Warble r | BLAC | KBIRDS, ORIOLES | | | |
| | Rock Wren a | | American Redstart x | | Red-winged Blackbird r | | | |
| | Canyon Wren u | | MacGillivray's Warble u | | Western Meadowlark c | | | |
| | Bewick's Wren c | | Wilson's Warbler c | | Yellow-headed Blackbird o | | | |
| | House Wren u | | | | Brewer's Blackbird r | | | |
| | | TANA | GERS | | Common Grackle x | | | |
| KING | LETS | | Western Tanager o | | Brown-headed Cowbird i c | | | |
| | Ruby-crowned Kinglet u | | | | Bullock's Oriole o | | | |
| | , | SPARI | ROWS | | Scott's Oriole u | | | |
| GNAT | CATCHERS | | Green-tailed Towhee u | | | | | |
| | Blue-gray Gnatcatcher c | | Spotted Towhee o | FINCH | TES | | | |
| | | | Canyon Towhee c | | House Finch a | | | |
| THRUSHES | | | Cassin's Sparrow o | | Pine Siskin r | | | |
| | Western Bluebird o | | American Tree Sparrow r | | Lesser Goldfinch o | | | |
| | Mountain Bluebird u | | Chipping Sparrow a | | Black-backed | | | |
| | Townsend's Solitaire u | | Clay-colored Sparrow r | | Green-backed | | | |
| | Hermit Thrush u | | Brewer's Sparrow c | | American Goldfinch o | | | |
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| 11100 | Northern Mockingbird c | | Sage Sparrow c | | House Sparrow 10 | | | |
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Please include any photos or drawings. Thanks!